Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A fuel cell system comprising:

a fuel cell [[(20)]];

an electric power storing ~~means (30)~~ device; and

an electric power supplying ~~means (50, 20a, 30a)~~ device for supplying electric power to a load from the fuel cell and the electric power storing ~~means~~ device, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein

the electric power supplying ~~means (50, 20a, 30a)~~ device includes intermittent operation ~~means (50)~~ device for stopping operation of the fuel cell [[(20)]] when an amount of electric power required by the load is smaller than a reference value, and starting the stopped operation of the fuel cell [[(20)]] when the amount of electric power required by the load is equal to or larger than the reference value, and threshold value adjusting ~~means (50)~~ device for adjusting the reference value according to internal electromotive force ~~(Vocv)~~ in the fuel cell [[(20)]] whose operation has been stopped.

2. (Currently amended) The fuel cell system according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein

the threshold value adjusting ~~means (50)~~ device decreases the reference value according to a decrease in the internal electromotive force ~~(Vocv)~~ in the fuel cell [[(20)]] such that a time at which the operation of the fuel cell [[(20)]] is started is relatively advanced.

3. (Currently amended) The fuel cell system according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein

the threshold value adjusting ~~means (50)~~ device stores data related to the reference value that needs to be set according to the internal electromotive force ~~(Vocv)~~ in the fuel cell [[(20)]].

4. (Currently amended) The fuel cell system according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein

the reference value includes a first reference value [[(Ps)]] and a second reference value [[(Pon]]) that is larger than the first reference value [[(Ps)]]; the intermittent operation ~~means (50)~~ device stops the operation of the fuel cell [[(20)]] when the amount of electric power required by the load is smaller than the first reference value [[(Ps)]], and starts the stopped operation of the fuel cell [[(20)]] when the amount of electric power required by the load is equal to or larger than the second reference value ~~(Pon)~~; and the threshold adjusting ~~means (50)~~ device adjusts the second reference value ~~(Pon)~~ according to the internal electromotive force ~~(Vocv)~~ in the fuel cell [[(20)]] whose operation has been stopped.

5. (Currently amended) The fuel cell system according to claim 4, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein

the threshold value adjusting ~~means (50)~~ device decreases the second reference value ~~(Pon)~~ according to a decrease in the internal electromotive force ~~(Vocv)~~ in the fuel cell [[(20)]] such that a time at which the operation of the fuel cell [[(20)]] is started is relatively advanced.

6. (Currently amended) The fuel cell system according to claim 4, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein

the threshold value adjusting ~~means (50)~~ device stores data related to the second reference value ~~(Pon)~~ that needs to be set according to the internal electromotive force ~~(Vocv)~~ in the fuel cell [[(20)]].

7. (Currently amended) The fuel cell system according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein

the electric power storing ~~means (30)~~ device includes at least one of a secondary battery and a capacitor.

8. (Currently amended) An electric vehicle ~~including~~ comprising:

a motor [[(32)]] that generates power for the vehicle;, and

a fuel cell system that includes a fuel cell, an electric power storing device, and an electric power supplying ~~means (50, 20a, 30a)~~ device for supplying electric power to the motor [[(32)]] from [[a]] the fuel cell [[(20)]]

and the electric power storing ~~means (30)~~ device, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein

the electric power supplying ~~means (50, 20a, 30a)~~ device includes an intermittent operation ~~means (50)~~ device for stopping operation of the fuel cell [[(20)]] when an amount of electric power required by the load including the motor [[(32)]] is smaller than a reference value, and starting the stopped operation of the fuel cell [[(20)]] when the amount of electric power required by the load is equal to or larger than the reference value, a threshold adjusting ~~means (50)~~ device for adjusting the reference value according to internal electromotive force ~~(Vocv)~~ in the fuel cell [[(20)]] whose operation has been stopped.

9. (Currently amended) The electric vehicle according to claim 8, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein

the reference value includes a first reference value [[(Ps)]] and a second reference value ~~(Pon)~~ that is larger than the first reference value [[(Ps)]]; the intermittent operation ~~means (50)~~ device stops the operation of the fuel cell [[(20)]] when the amount of electric power required by the load is smaller than the first reference value [[(Ps)]], and starts the stopped operation of the fuel cell [[(20)]] when the amount of electric power required by the load is equal to or larger than the second reference value ~~(Pon)~~; and the threshold adjusting ~~means(50)~~ device adjusts the second reference value ~~(Pon)~~ according to the internal electromotive force ~~(Vocv)~~ in the fuel cell [[(20)]] whose operation has been stopped.